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# MONTANA DISTRICTING AND APPORTIONMENT COMMISSION DRAFT REGIONAL PLANS

# WESTERN REGION

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The plans will be adopted with the caveat that there will need to be minor adjustments as boundaries receive closer scrutiny and additional checks are performed on the adopted plans. Any adopted plan will be subject to change until the final plan is filed with the Secretary of State by March, 2003.

#### WESTERN REGION

Lincoln, Sanders, Flathead, Lake, Mineral, Missoula, Ravalli, and the remainder of Glacier and Pondera Counties

## **OVERVIEW**

There are 3 plans prepared for this region. Plans 100 and 200 were prepared by Commission staff after visits with Clerk and Recorders, Democratic and Republic Central Committees, Legislators, and interested parties in each region. Plan 300 was submitted by Commissioners Joe Lamson and Sheila Rice. All maps, regardless of source, are publications of the Legislative Services Division which is statutorily charged with providing staff and technical support to the Commission.

All plans' district numbers follow a similar pattern based on the numbering set by the adopted plan from the Northcentral, Northeast, Southeast/central, Southcentral, and Southwest Regions. However, numbering may not be consistent between plans so please refer to the maps. District numbers are only descriptive, they do not necessarily correspond with potential senate pairings or the numbers that may be assigned after the Commission completes the redistricting of the entire state.

This plan completes the remainder of Glacier and Pondera Counties in proposed district 1 in all plans. Plans 100 and 200 used the boundary of district 2 as adopted by the Commission for the Northcentral Region. Plan 300 altered the boundary of adopted district 2 in the formulation of proposed district 1 and the amendments will be considered as a part of proposed Plan 300.

Proposed district 1 and adopted district 2 were designed under the Commission's Resolution No. 1 in response to the <u>Old Person v. Brown</u> lawsuit. The districts under Plans 100 and 200 were designed

using plaintiff's proposals developed with 2000 Census data and modified by application of the Commission's adopted criteria. Because of the overall loss of population in Glacier County and east, the gain in American Indian population on both sides of the divide, and the population growth in Western Montana, proposed district 1 is composed of parts of existing House Districts 73, 75, 85, and 86 (depending on plan) and allows for the mitigation of population loss on the eastern side of the continental divide with growth from the western side.

On balance in the western region, there is one completely new House District in Ravalli County (which now has 4 complete house districts), and one new district either mainly in Flathead County or Lake County, depending on plan and perspective. Because House District 79 started fresh at the Missoula County line, it is new in its smaller size. In 1990, this region shared part of this district with Powell and Granite Counties. In 2000, this region will now share part of a district with Pondera and Glacier Counties to the east. Because of the adoption of additional districts in previous regions, all plans must use an average positive deviation in this region.

In all plans, Kalispell and Missoula are split for population reasons. In Plan 100, the East Missoula census designated boundary is split. In Plan 300, the Whitefish city limits and the Pablo census designated boundary is split. Plan 300 amends the split within South Browning's census designated place, but all plans keep Browning's incorporated boundaries intact. Mineral County is intact in all plans and the remaining counties are split because of population, and share population between districts in varying configurations.

**PLAN 100** 

Proposed District #	2000 Total Population	Deviation from Ideal Population (9,022)	1990 District(s)
1	8,953	-0.76	73,75,86
Adopted 2	8,612	-4.54	85,86,88
73	8,929	-1.03	59
74	9,062	0.44	60
75	8,805	-2.40	60,61
76	9,274	2.79	61,62
77	9,277	2.83	62
78	9,383	4.00	63
79	8,779	-2.69	58

Proposed District #	2000 Total Population	Deviation from Ideal Population (9,022)	1990 District(s)
80	9,430	4.52	64
81	9,453	4.78	68
82	9,321	3.31	67
83	9,441	4.64	65
84	9,236	2.37	66
85	9,471	4.98	69
86	8,892	-1.44	70
87	9,468	4.94	73,74
88	9,177	1.72	75
89	9,367	3.82	75,76
90	9,246	2.48	76
91	9,441	4.64	78
92	9,457	4.82	77
93	9,288	2.95	79
94	9,431	4.53	80
95	9,434	4.57	83
96	9,451	4.76	84
97	9,454	4.79	71
98	9,376	3.92	72
99	9,387	4.05	72,81,82
100	9,450	4.74	72,81

District #	2000 Native American Total Population Percentage	2000 Native American Voting Age Population %	1990 Predominent District	1990 Native American Total Population %	1990 Native American Voting Age Population %
1	60.87	56.50	75 ( <b>%</b> 6	8.98 29.32	7.77 25.08)
2	66.94	63.71	85	69.95	66.36
86	13.02	11.17	70	4.51	3.91

87	28.31	24.33	73	34.53	30.79
88	13.88	11.89	74	19.16	15.77

Total number of districts: 30. Minimum deviation: -4.54%; Maximum deviation: 4.98%; Mean deviation 3.48%. Overall deviation: 9.52%.

Proposed district 1 contains portions of Flathead, Glacier, Lake, and Pondera Counties. The Glacier County portion (2,551 persons) includes south of Highway 89, including a portion of Browning south of Sesame, 7th, Rodeo. East of Browning it includes a small area north of Highway 2, but south of Highway 2 from 4 miles east of the junction with Hwy 89. About 10 miles west of Cutbank the boundary falls south to the county line. In Pondera County, it includes southeastern part of the Blackfeet Reservation, including Heart Butte, and Glacier National Park portions of the county (784 persons). In Flathead County (108 persons), the district uses Highway 2 as the northern boundary until the Middle Fork Flathead River which becomes the northern boundary to Stanton Creek and west to Turmoil Creek and a Forest Service Road to Hungry Horse Reservoir. The boundary follows a ridgeline south until the Columbia Falls Elementary School District which becomes the western boundary south to the Flathead/Lake county line. In Lake County (5,514 persons), the district includes the east side of Hwy 83 south to the Swan Lake and Salmon School district which is in this district. South of Hellroaring Creek the district includes Turtle Lake and Pablo and follows along the Mission Mountain front south to the St. Ignatius school district line.

Adopted District 2 contains portions of Glacier and Toole Counties. The Glacier County portion (7,488 persons) includes the area north of Highway 89, including Starr School and most of Browning north of Sesame, 7th, and Rodeo and east of the city limits, 3rd, and Piegan streets. The area north of Willow Creek and Highway 2 is included. Approximately 10 miles west of Cut Bank, the area south of Highway 2 is also included south to the county line and west of Cut Bank Creek. The boundary now follows the precinct line between district 6 and 7 (to the extent allowed by census block boundaries). The area north of the Cut Bank city limits is also in District 2 and north of Highway 2 east of Cut Bank. The Toole County portion includes north of Highway 2 and west of I-15, including Kevin and Sunburst (1,124 persons).

Proposed district 73 is wholly within Ravalli County including the southern two-thirds. Darby is in this district and the northern boundary is the Hamilton school district boundary outside of Hamilton 4 miles to the west and east of the Eastside Highway and uses the Hamilton southern city limits.

Proposed district 74 includes the towns of Hamilton and Corvallis. North of Hamilton, the boundary is Highway 93. The Hamilton School District northern boundary north to Willow Creek is in this district and the district goes north to at Highway 93 at Tucker.

Proposed district 75 includes the towns of Pinesdale and Victor. At Bowman, everything west of Highway 93 is in this district, and north of Tucker. The southeastern boundary is Willow Creek. This

district includes much of Stevensville Elementary district, except for Stevensville and north of Middle Burnt Fork Road.

Proposed district 76 includes Florence and Stevensville north to the Ravalli County line. The boundary uses the Stevensville city limits to the south and Middle Burnt Fork Road east of Stevensville. All of this district is completely in Ravalli County.

Proposed district 77 is now wholly within Missoula County. It includes the Lolo area, and the Woodman Elementary School District. It adds an additional area north of the Bitterroot River between South and Mount east of Clements. Both sides of the Miller Creek area are now in this district as is the area south of Miller Creek about 2.5 miles east of the Bitterroot River.

Proposed district 78 is east of the Bitterroot River north of Miller Creek, south of Brooks east of Dore/23rd, southwest of Clearview and southeast of Hillview. The eastern boundary is Whitaker and Rimel and the pipeline formerly used as a boundary.

Proposed district 79 is eastern Missoula County. The Highway 83/ Seeley Swan corridor composes the northern half of this district, connected on Highway 200 west to I-90 at Bonner-West Riverside. Clinton and the southeastern half of the county is in this district. At Hellgate Canyon, the district uses the Bonner elementary district line, except that it includes a small portion of East Missoula census designated place east of Staple and north of Speedway that is south of Hwy 200.

Proposed district 80 gains the area northeast of Clearview and northwest of Hillview south of 34th and loses the area between Hillview and Whitaker north of Rimel. The boundary has been extended south to the ridgeline, but the Miller Creek area is no longer in this district. The area south of the Pattee Canyon Road is in this district. (north of the road went to proposed district 83).

Proposed district 81 retains much of the former district 68 with Brooks as the southern boundary, Russell on the east, 7th on the north from Caitlin west to Hiberta where the northern boundary become 3rd east to Krim. At Krim, the northern boundary becomes the Clark Fork River and the area south and east of the river to Mount is in proposed district 81.

Proposed district 82 has as its northern boundary the Clark Fork River from Higgins west to Krim. The eastern boundary follows Woodford south to Brooks and Kensington, follows Russell north to 10th, west to Caitlin and north to 7th, west to Hiberta and north to 3rd and west again until it joins Krim.

Proposed district 83 is the U-district adding a block north of Brooks to Woodford as its northwest boundary. The area east of Bow, and the area between North and South east of Hollis is in this district. South of South the western boundary is Higgins south to Pattee Canyon. North of Pattee Canyon

Road is in this district. This district has extended eastward south of the Clark Fork to the Missoula Elementary School District line north of Pattee Canyon Road.

Proposed district 84 is between I-90 and the Clark Fork River from Orange Street south of Alder (Precinct 76) and Greenough north of Alder (Precinct 2) westward to Grant Creek.

Proposed district 85 uses the Missoula Elementary School District lines north of I-90, except for a portion of East Missoula. East of Orange and south of Alder is in this district and east to Staple in East Missoula. The Rattlesnake Creek area is in this district, with I-90 west of Greenough as the boundary west to the Missoula School District line.

Proposed district 86 includes portions of Missoula (7,292 persons) and Lake County (1,600 persons). In Missoula County, the Grant Creek area north of I-90 and south of I-90 east of Grant Creek is included ,south to the Clark Fork River. At the confluence of the Clark Fork and the Bitterroot Rivers, the area north is in this district west to Harpers Bridge. The census designated place Wye is in this district and north of I-90 west to the boundary of Frenchtown. North on I-93 is in this district including Evaro in Missoula County and the Arlee School District from Lake County (1,600 persons).

Proposed district 87 is wholly within Lake County from the Arlee school district line north to the Flathead County line. It includes Ravalli, St. Ignatius, Charlo, Kicking Horse, Ronan, and then skips around east to Big Arm, Elmo, Dayton, and Rollins.

Proposed district 88 is a south Flathead Lake district including Polson, Finley Point, and Kings Point. It follows the west shore up to, but not including Big Arm. On the east shore, it follows north to the Lake County line, but does not include Woods Bay. It does include the southern Bigfork school district west of Highway 83, and uses the Polson school district line as a eastern boundary south to Hellroaring Creek. This district does not include the Turtle Lake area but west of 93 uses the Polson elementary school district line west to the Flathead River west of Polson. The western boundary is a ridgeline north to Big Arm.

Proposed district 89 includes parts of former House District 75 and 76. It includes Woods Bay from Lake County (748 persons) using the census designated place boundary. The remainder is in Flathead County (8,619 persons) and includes Bigfork, Lakeside, and Somers, using the Somers school district boundary to the west and north, La Brant Road, and the Swan River School District on the north and east.

Proposed district 90 includes the Cayuse Prairie School District on the east, the entire Creston School District, the Fairmont Egan School District south of Highway 35, and a portion of Evergreen south of Evergreen between the Whitefish River and Park/Birch north of Highway 35. Proposed district 90 skirts south around the city limits of Kalispell and proposed district 91 and includes the western and

southern portion of the Kalispell Elementary School District and a small area on Hwy 2 west of Kalispell out to Managhan.

Proposed district 91's northern boundary is Highway 2 (Idaho) in Kalispell proper. The district is very similar to former House District 78. The eastern boundary is Willow Glen, the southern boundary follows city limits for the most part, but also including the area north of Stag in the southeast and north of Sunnyside on the southwest, the railroad tracks and Valley View bound the west, south of Appleway.

Proposed district 92 includes north Kalispell, north of Highway 2 (Idaho) It is bounded on the east by the Whitefish River north to Birchgrove. The boundary jogs west using Whitefish Stage and Tronstad to Hwy 93. It includes the area south of the Stillwater River that is east of the Kalispell Elementary District boundary which is the western boundary south to Three Mile where it joins the city limits boundary south to Highway 2.

Proposed district 93 includes the remainder of southwest Flathead County north to Star Meadow Road (former House District 79 boundary) until it intersects the Olney-Bissel School district boundary which becomes the northern boundary. It includes less area southwest of Whitefish and Columbia Falls using Trumble Creek as a eastern boundary south to and including the northern portion of the Kalispell elementary district. It includes the entire West Valley School district, except an unpopulated block within the city limits.

Proposed district 94 is the Whitefish district with the Star Meadow Road as the southwest boundary (former House District 79 boundary) until it intersects the Olney Bissel School district boundary which becomes the southern boundary until Spring Prairie to KM Ranch road and other rural roads that it follows north to Blanchard Lake and Hwys 93 and 40 east to Trumble Creek.

Proposed district 95 is the northeast corner of the county and includes Columbia Falls, Martin City, Hungry Horse, and Coram. The Columbia Falls Elementary School District boundary is used to the west. A portion south of the Flathead River and the Bern Road is included. South of Sand Creek the South Fork Flathead River and Hungry Horse Reservoir are in this district It is bounded on the south by Turmoil Creek and Trumble Creek east to the Middle Fork which it follows south to where Middle Fork crosses Hwy 2 which remains the boundary until the county line.

Proposed district 96 includes the southwest corner of the Columbia Falls School district and uses Trumble Creek Road as the western boundary south to the boundary of the Helena Flats Elementary School district which is entirely in this district. This includes Deer Park Elementary and uses the southern boundary as its boundary west to Hwy 206 which is follows south to and includes the Fairmont Egan School district north of Hwy 35, excluding a small portion of Evergreen north of Hwy 35.

Proposed district 97 includes all of Mineral County, and the western half of Missoula County (4,719 persons), including Frenchtown. It includes all of the Alberton school district and the southwest boundary is app. Diamond Peak. The western boundary remains the ridgeline used for former district 72 and the district follows south of I-90 south of Frenchtown up to, but not including, Wye. The district includes eastern Sanders County (851 persons).

Proposed district 98 is entirely in Sanders County from the Idaho and Lincoln County lines east to the Lake County line, including Hot Springs, Lone Pine, and Niarada, following Highway 28 to the reservation boundary briefly until Henry Creek Road which it follow west to Highway 200. Plains and Paradise are in this district, using Hwy 200 until Paradise's census designated place boundary and the Clark Fork River until Highway 185 which is follows southwest to the Mineral County line.

Proposed district 99 includes south Lincoln County including Libby and west of Libby the area south of Highway 37 and the Fisher River road. It uses the Eureka Elementary boundary to the northwest. At Libby and west, the Kootenai River west to, but not including Troy, and including the Highway 56 corridor and south of Keeler Creek.

Proposed district 100 includes the northern three-quarters of Lincoln County, including Troy to the south, the area north of Libby, and Rexford, Eureka, and Fortine to the north.

## **PLAN 200**

Proposed District #	2000 Total Population	Deviation from Ideal Population (9,022)	1990 District(s)
1	8,967	-0.76	73,75,86
Adopted 2	8,612	-4.54	85,86,88
73	8,888	-1.48	59
74	9,281	2.87	60
75	8,627	-4.38	60,61
76	9,274	2.79	61,62
77	9,435	4.58	62
78	9,149	1.41	62,63,64
79	8,698	-3.59	58,64,69
80	9,393	4.11	64
81	9,436	4.59	68
82	9,428	4.50	67

Proposed District #	2000 Total Population	Deviation from Ideal Population (9,022)	1990 District(s)
<b>8</b> 3	9,472	4.99	65
84	9,394	4.12	66
25	9,428	4.50	69,70
86	9,144	1.35	70,73
87	9,444	4.68	73,74,75
88	8,692	-3.66	74,76,79
89	9,462	4.88	74,75
90	9,456	4.81	75,76,84
91	9,428	4.50	78
92	9,461	4.87	76,77
93	9,470	4.97	77,79
94	9,439	4.62	80
95	9,430	4.52	83
96	9,464	4.90	84
97	9,279	2.85	71
98	9,257	2.61	71,72
99	9,388	4.06	72,81,82
100	9,449	4.73	72,81

District #	2000 Native American Total Population Percentage	2000 Native American Voting Age Population %	1990 Predominant District	1990 Native American Total Population %	1990 Native American Voting Age Population %
1	60.34	54.26	75 ( <b>8</b> 6	8.98 29.32	7.77 25.08)
2	66.94	63.71	<b>85</b>	69.95	66.36
86	12.95	11.16	70 (see 73)	4.51	3.91
87	27.83	23.55	73	34.53	30.79
89	14.49	12.52	74	19.16	15.77

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Proposed district 1 contains portions of Flathead, Glacier, Lake, and Pondera Counties. The Glacier County portion (2,551 persons) includes south of Highway 89, including a portion of Browning south of Sesame, 7th, Rodeo. East of Browning it includes a small area north of Highway 2, but south of Highway 2 from 4 miles east of Hwy 89. About 10 miles west of Cutbank the boundary falls south to the county line. In Pondera County, it includes the southeastern part of the Blackfeet Reservation, including Heart Butte, and Glacier National Park portions of the county (784 persons). In Flathead County (108 persons), the district uses Highway 2 as the northern boundary until the Middle Fork Flathead River which becomes the northern boundary to Stanton Creek and west to Turmoil Creek and a Forest Service Road to Hungry Horse Reservoir. The boundary follows a ridgeline south until the Columbia Falls elementary school district which become s the western boundary south to the Flathead/Lake county line. The Glacier, Pondera, and Flathead portions of this district are identical to Plan 100. In Lake County (5,524 persons), the district includes the east side of Hwy 83 south to the Swan Lake and Salmon school district which is in this district. The district boundary goes west at the Ronan elementary school district boundary and includes Pablo and Kicking Horse follows along the Mission Mountains front south to the Arlee school district line.

Adopted District 2 contains portions of Glacier and Toole Counties. The Glacier County portion (7,488 persons) includes the area north of Highway 89, including Starr School and most of Browning north of Sesame, 7th, and Rodeo and east of the city limits, 3rd, and Piegan streets. The area north of Willow Creek and Highway 2 is included. Approximately 10 miles west of Cut Bank, the area south of Highway 2 is also included south to the county line and west of Cut Bank Creek. The boundary now follows the precinct line between district 6 and 7 (to the extent allowed by census block boundaries). The area north of the Cut Bank city limits is also in District 2 and north of Highway 2 east of Cut Bank. The Toole County portion includes north of Highway 2 and west of I-15, including Kevin and Sunburst (1,124 persons).

Proposed district 73 is wholly within Ravalli County including the southern two-thirds. Darby is in this district and the northern boundary is the Hamilton school district boundary outside of Hamilton on 4 miles to the west and east of the Eastside Highway and the Hamilton southern city limits. (Same as Plan 100).

Proposed district 74 includes the towns of Hamilton, Corvallis, and Pinesdale. The Hamilton school district is the boundary except for east of Pinesdale which follows the census designated place boundary, follows the Dutch Hill road east to the Woodside Cutoff, uses the Corvallis census designated place boundaries and Willow Creek back to the school district boundary to the east.

Proposed district 75 includes Victor and the area immediately east of Pinesdale and north of, but not including Corvallis. The district goes north to the southern limits of Stevensville.

Proposed district 76 includes Florence and Stevensville north to the Ravalli County line. The boundary uses the Stevensville city limits to the south Middle Burnt Fork Road east of Stevensville. All of this district is completely in Ravalli County. (Same as Plan 100.)

Proposed district 77 is now wholly within Missoula County. It includes the Lolo area, the entire Woodman, Target Range, Lolo, and the Florence-Carlton Elementary School Districts. It adds an additional area north of the Bitterroot River south of 7th and east of Clements.

Proposed district 78 is east of the Bitterroot River, south of Brooks and 39th, southwest of Clearview. The eastern boundary is the Missoula city limits and Gharrett. Upper Miller Creek Road is the boundary south to Lorraine and both sides of Miller Creek are now in this district. The south, east, and west boundaries are the Missoula Elementary school district boundaries south of the ridgeline north of Miller Creek.

Proposed district 79 is eastern Missoula County. The Highway 83/ Seeley Swan corridor composes the northern half of this district, connected on Highway 200 and west to I-90 at Bonner-West Riverside. Clinton and the southeastern half of the county are in this district. At Hellgate Canyon, the district uses the Bonner Elementary School District and the East Missoula census designated place line. A portion of the county south of I-90 and the Clark Fork River that is east of the Missoula city limits and north of Pattee Canyon is in this district (Mount Sentinel). The north side of Pattee Canyon Road is in this district.

Proposed district 80 gains the area northeast of Clearview and east of 23rd/Dore. The boundary has been extended south to the ridgeline, but the Miller Creek area is no longer in this district. The area south of the Pattee Canyon Road is in this district (north of the road went to proposed district 79). The northern boundary is Ernest to Russell and then South to Higgins where the boundary follows south to Pattee Canyon Road.

Proposed district 81 retains much of the former House District 68 with Brooks as the southern boundary, to Ernest and Russell on the east south of Brooks, Mount on the northeast from Stephens west to Russell, from 12th west to Garfield, and 10th west to Margaret, 9th to Reserve. and 3rd to the city limits boundary and Grove where the northern boundary becomes the Clark Fork River west to the Missoula Elementary School District line and then south to the existing boundary of former House District 68.

Proposed district 82 has as its northern boundary the Clark Fork River from Higgins east to the River Road to Grove. The western boundary follows Grove and the city limits south to 3rd and Reserve to 9th. The eastern boundary is from Brooks to Crosby, south on Woodford to Mount east to Russell, follows 12th west to Garfield, and 10th west to Margaret to 9th.

Proposed district 83 is the U-district with Brooks and Stephens on the west and adding a block north of Brooks to Woodford as its western boundary and back to Brooks at Crosby. The district follows north to the Clark Fork River and uses the city limits boundary on the east.

Proposed district 84 is between I-90 and the Clark Fork River from the Hellgate Canyon westward to Reserve north of Mullan and following Mullan west to Grant Creek.

Proposed district 85 uses the Missoula Elementary School District lines north of I-90, except for following the eastern boundary of East Missoula. The southern boundary is I-90 west to La Valle Creek. The Rattlesnake Creek and Grant Creek areas are in this district.

Proposed district 86 includes portions of Missoula (7,544 persons) and Lake County (1,600 persons). In Missoula County, south of I-90 and north of Mullan Road east of Grant Creek is included and south to the Clark Fork River. At the point where the Clark Fork and the Bitterroot Rivers join, the area north is in this district west to an area just west of Kona Ranch road, the boundary then follows Mullan road west to and includes an area west of the census designated place Wye. Wye is in this district. North on I-93 is in this district including Evaro in Missoula County and the Arlee School District from Lake County (1,600 persons).

Proposed district 87 is wholly within Lake County from the Arlee school district line north to Hwy 28. It includes Ravalli, St. Ignatius, Charlo, Ronan, and Turtle Lake and the western rural part of the county.

Proposed district 88 is a south Flathead County, including Lakeside and Somers (8,218 persons) and north Lake County district (474 persons), including Rollins. It includes all of the Pleasant Valley and Kila School districts. West of Kalispell it includes the area south of Highway 2 and Whalebone /Foys Lake Roads. It skirts the Kalispell district using the BN Railroad lines south to the Cemetery/Lower Valley Road that it follows east to the Flathead River which is the eastern boundary until Lower Valley Road. The Somers Road south to the lake is the eastern boundary. The boundary in Lake County is the Flathead Reservation (and blockgroup) boundary.

Proposed district 89 is entirely in Lake County and includes Dayton, Elmo, Big Arm, Kings Point, Rocky Point, Jette, Polson, Finley Point, and Woods Bay. It includes south of the northern Flathead Reservation line to Highway 28, and south of Elmo to Walking Horse. It includes west of Hwy 93 and includes Polson and the area immediately to the south to the pump canal and the Pablo Feeder Canal. Skyline Road and the eastern Polson city limits bound Polson on the east. Shore Dive/Hwy 35 provide the southern boundary around the east shore to Hellroaring Creek Road. The Polson Elementary boundary is the eastern most boundary and the district goes north to the Lake County line and east of Hwy 83.

Proposed district 90 includes the Cayuse Prairie School District, the Creston School District, and the Flathead County portion of the Bigfork and Swan School Districts. Proposed district 90 skirts around the eastern city limits of Kalispell and south of Highway 35. At Columbia Falls Stage Road the district crosses Hwy 35 north to Eastland Cross.

Proposed district 91's northern boundary in Kalispell proper is the boundary for Precinct 2, 1st Street between 5th and Main, and Center between Meridian and 5th. The BN Railroad tracks are the western boundary south to Cemetery and Willow Glen on the east, and also including a small area that is within the city limits that is east of Willow Glen.

Proposed district 92 includes north Kalispell and includes Precinct 2, north of 1st Street between 5th and Main and north of Center between Meridian and 5th. It is bounded on the east by the Whitefish River north to the Mission Trail, the northern city limits, and the Stillwater River. The west boundary is Hwy 93 south to Four Mile and uses the elementary school district boundary south of Highway 2 to Whalebone and Foys Road to the railroad tracks.

Proposed district 93 includes the remainder of southwest Flathead County north to Star Meadow Road (former House District 79 boundary) until it intersects the Olney Bissel School district boundary which becomes the northern boundary. It includes less area southwest of Whitefish and Columbia Falls using Highway 2 as a eastern boundary south to and including the northern portion of the Kalispell elementary district. It includes the entire West Valley School district.

Proposed district 94 is the Whitefish district with the Star Meadow Road as the southwest boundary (former House District 79 boundary) until it intersects the Olney Bissel School district boundary which becomes the southern boundary until Spring Prairie to KM Ranch road and other rural roads that it follows north to Blanchard Lake and Hwys 93 and 40 east to Trumble Creek.

Proposed district 95 is the northeast corner of the county and includes Columbia Falls, Martin City, Hungry Horse, and Coram. The Columbia Falls elementary district boundary is used to the west. A portion south of the Flathead River and the Bern Road is included. South of Sand Creek the South Fork Flathead River and Hungry Horse Reservoir are in this district. It is bounded on the south by Turmoil Creek and Trumble Creek east to the Middle Fork which it follows south to where Middle Fork crosses Hwy 2 which remains the boundary until the county line. (Same as Plan 100.)

Proposed district 96 includes the southwest corner of the Columbia Falls School district and uses Highway 2 as the western boundary south to the western boundary of the Helena Flats Elementary School district which is entirely in this district. This includes Deer Park Elementary School District and uses the southern boundary as its boundary west to Columbia Falls Stage south to Highway 35 and west to the Whitefish River.

Proposed district 97 includes all of Mineral County, the eastern half of Missoula County (4,425 persons), including Frenchtown. It includes all of the Alberton school district and the southwest boundary is the boundary with Target Range school district. The eastern boundary is the Flathead Reservation line and Hwy 93 at O'Keefe. In Sanders County, it includes Paradise (using Hwy 200 until Highway 185 which is follows southwest to the Mineral County line) and east (970 persons).

Proposed district 98 is entirely in Sanders County from the Idaho and Lincoln County lines east to the Lake County line, including Hot Springs, Lone Pine, and Niarada, following the Hot springs school district boundary to north of Paradise. Plains (but not Paradise) is in this district using Hwy 200 until Highway 185 which is follows southwest to the Mineral County line.

Proposed district 99 includes south Lincoln County including Libby and west of Libby includes the area south of Highway 37 and the Fisher River road. It uses the Eureka Elementary boundary to the northwest. At Libby and west, the Kootenai River west to, but not including Troy, and including the Highway 56 corridor and south of Keeler Creek is the boundary. This district is similar to Plan 100 except that it includes more on the eastern half and doesn't go quite up to Troy on the western side.

Proposed district 100 includes the northern three-quarters of Lincoln County, including Troy to the south, the area north of Libby, and Rexford, Eureka, and Fortine to the north.

# **PLAN 300**

Proposed District #	2000 Total Population	Deviation from Ideal Population (9,022)	1990 District(s)
1	9,264	2.68	73,75,86
Amended 2	9,192	1.88	85,86,88
73	8,794	-2.53	59,60
74	8,906	-1.29	56,60
75	8,921	-1.12	60,61
76	9,449	4.73	61,62
77	8,961	-0.68	58,62
78	8,889	-1.47	58,63
79	9,218	2.17	58,69
80	9,327	3.38	63,64,65

Proposed District #	2000 Total Population	Deviation from Ideal Population (9,022)	1990 District(s)
81	9,286	2.93	63,64,67,68
82	8,673	-3.87	62,67,68
83	9,078	0.62	65,67,68
84	9,292	2.99	62,66,70
85	9,359	3.74	62,71
86	9,362	3.77	58,66,69,70
87	9,268	2.73	70,71
88	9,145	1.36	71,72
89	9,388	4.06	73,74
90	9,423	4.45	73,74,75
91	9,467	4.93	75,76
92	9,465	4.91	76,79
93	9,469	4.96	77,78
94	9,468	4.94	76,77,84
95	9,450	4.74	75,77,79,83,84
96	9,457	4.82	83
97	9,469	4.96	79,80
98	9,468	4.94	79,80
99	9,408	4.28	72,81,82
100	9,429	4.51	81,82

District #	2000 Native American Total Population Percentage	2000 Native American Voting Age Population %	1990 Predominant District	1990 Native American Total Population %	1990 Native American Voting Age Population %
1	58.20	51.83	75 ( <b>8</b> 6	8.98 29.32	7.77 25.08)
2	68.90	65.74	85	69.95	66.36
<b>89</b>	28.38	23.14	73	34.53	30.79
90	13.68	11.84	74	19.16	15.77

Total number of districts: 30. Minimum deviation: -3.87%; Maximum deviation: 4.95%; Mean deviation: 3.35%. Overall deviation: 8.82%.

Proposed district 1 contains portions of Flathead, Glacier, Lake, Pondera, and Missoula Counties. The Glacier County portion (1,971 persons) includes south of Highway 89, including the western outskirts of Browning south of Rodeo (this proposal takes proposed district 1 further out of Browning). East of Browning the proposed amended district would exclude the small area north of Highway 2 and make Highway 2 the boundary east. About 10 miles west of Cutbank the boundary falls south to the county line using the Cutbank elementary school district line. In Pondera County, it includes eastern part of the Blackfeet Reservation, including Heart Butte, and Glacier National Park portions of the county (784 persons). In Flathead County (10 persons), the district uses Highway 2 as the northern boundary until the West Glacier school district boundary to Turmoil Creek and a Forest Service Road to Hungry Horse Reservoir. From Hungry Horse Reservoir, the boundary follows south and west along Quintonkon Creek and follows a ridgeline south. In Lake County (6,444 persons), the district includes the Swan Lake and Salmon School District which is in this district south of Bond Creek. The district includes Turtle Lake and a portion of Pablo, south of Greywolf east of Hwy 93, between 7th and Division east of Montana and south of Clairmont east of 93. The district follows along the Mission Mountain western front south to the Arlee school district which it contains in its entirety. In Missoula County (55 persons) it includes the eastern front of the Mission Mountains.

Proposed amended district 2 contains portions of Glacier and Toole Counties. The Glacier County portion (8,068 persons) includes the area north of Highway 89, including Starr School and most of Browning north Rodeo and east of the city limits. The area north Highway 2 is included. Approximately 10 miles west of Cut Bank, the area south of Highway 2 is also included south to the county line and west of Cut Bank Creek. The boundary now follows the precinct line between district 6 and 7 (to the extent allowed by census block boundaries) but the amendment proposed moving it to the Cutbank School District line. The area north of the Cut Bank city limits is also in District 2 and north of Highway 2 east of Cut Bank. The Toole County portion includes north of Highway 2 and west of I-15, including Kevin and Sunburst (1,124 persons).

Proposed district 73 is wholly within Ravalli County including the southern two-thirds. Darby is in this district and the northwestern boundary is Fred Burr Creek and the northeastern boundary is a geographic line north of the Corvallis school district boundary. Proposed district 73 also includes Pinesdale. The district follows south of Hamilton at approximately the Sleeping Child Road and the Bitterroot Canal. The Bitterroot River separates proposed districts 73 and 74 west of Hwy 93 and to the east it is Foley, Grant, and Grantsdale Roads.

Proposed district 74 includes the towns of Hamilton and Corvallis. North of Hamilton the boundary is Blodgett Creek and Highway 93 and uses the Woodside Cutoff to Corvallis. The Bitterroot River separates proposed districts 73 and 74 west of Hwy 93 and to the east it is Foley, Grant, and Grantsdale Roads.

Proposed district 75 includes Victor and the Victor school district north of Fred Burr Creek west of Hwy 93. East of Hwy 93 it includes most of the Corvallis School District. This district includes much of Stevensville Elementary district, except for Stevensville and north of Middle Burnt Fork Road.

Proposed district 76 includes Florence and Stevensville north to the Ravalli County line. The boundary is south of Stevensville and the Middle Burnt Fork Road. All of this district is completely in Ravalli County.

Proposed district 77 is southeastern Missoula County, south of Hwy 200. Clinton, Bonner, and East Missoula are in this district. The western boundary is south of Lolo using the Florence-Carlton School District (in this district) boundary.

Proposed district 78 includes the Highway 83/ Seeley Swan corridor which composes the northern half of this district. North of Highway 200 (excluding Bonner and East Missoula) and north of I-90 including the Rattlesnake area are in this district.

Proposed district 79 on the southwestern boundary is east of the Bitterroot River north of Trails End and Miller Creek, south of Old Bitterroot west of Helena, Linda Vista, and Scott Allen. In Missoula, the area east of Higgins and Whitaker is in this district south of 6th and the Clark Fork River. North of Miller Creek and Pattee Canyon is in this district and Mount Sentinel. The eastern boundary is app. Deer Creek.

Proposed district 80 is southeast of Brooks Street and west of Higgins. Between Mount and Fairview, the district jogs west using Bancroft, Bow, Stephens and Race. Russell is the boundary south to Hillview and 55th where it joins Miller Creek Road to Stonehaven and east on Lorraine. The southeastern boundary is the pipleline northeast to Rimel and then north on Whitaker.

Proposed district 81 runs north/south with the railroad tracks, Cleveland and Rollins are the northwest boundaries north to 6th. Following Brooks, Bancroft, Bow, Stephens, Race, and Hillview north to south on the east boundary. South to Meadowood is the western boundary. North from Meadowood, Upper Miller Creek Road serves as the western boundary, north to Briggs, Gharrett and Reserve to the railroad tracks.

Proposed district 82 has as its northernmost boundary 6th between Garfield and Cottonwood east of Reserve. It also uses 7th, 10th and 11th east of Reserve. From north to south the eastern boundary is Rollins, Cleveland and the railroad tracks. South of 39th the eastern boundary is Gharrett, Briggs, and Upper Miller Creek Road south to the city limits. The western boundary follows Scott Allen, Helena, north to Old Bitterroot which it follows west to the Bitterroot River. West of the river the boundary is the Big Flat Ditch north to North where it crosses east over the Bitterroot River and at Humble uses South east to Reserve.

Proposed district 83 is between 3rd and South west of Reserve and east of Clements. East of Reserve the district is between Wyoming/Dakota Streets and 6th between Garfield and Madison.

Proposed district 84 straddles the Clark Fork River from Orange Street westward to Grant Creek. The northern boundary is Broadway and the southern boundary is 3rd west of Reserve and 6th east of Reserve. The area between Broadway and the railroad west of Shakespeare is also in this district.

Proposed district 85 is now wholly within Missoula County. It includes the Lolo area, most of the Lolo school district and all of the Woodman Elementary School District. The district goes north to the Clark Fork River and north of the river up to, but not including Wye. It includes an area north of the Bitterroot River north of Mount east of Clements.

Proposed district 86 includes Evaro and Wye and west of Hwy 93 in northcentral Missoula County. It includes the area northeast of Broadway (Hwy 93), including Grant Creek. In the city of Missoula, west of Madison between I-90 and the Clark Fork River, and between the railroad tracks and I-90 east of Shakepeare.

Proposed district 87 includes all of Mineral County, the eastern third of Sanders County (1082 persons), including Paradise and Dixon, and west of Hwy 93 and west, including Frenchtown in Missoula County (4,302 persons).

Proposed district 88 is wholly within Sanders County. It includes the I-90 corridor from Plains to the Idaho border and also includes Hot Springs, Lonepine, and Niarada.

Proposed district 89 is wholly within Lake County. It reaches from south of Polson south to the Arlee School district boundary. It includes Ravalli, St. Ignatius, Kicking Horse, Charlo, Ronan and part of Pablo. It skirts the Polson city limits on the east, follows Skyline and Grenier from the southeast city limits west to the Pump Canal and the northwestern boundary follows the Flathead River to the southwest.

Proposed district 90 includes northern Lake County (7,520 persons) and southwestern Flathead County (1,903 persons). In Lake County the southernmost point is Polson, following the Flathead River to the Pump Canal, Grenier and Skyline to the eastern city limits. It includes the west shore communities of Polson, Rocky Point, Jette, Kings Point, Big Arm, Elmo, Dayton, and Rollins. In Flathead County it includes everything south of Highway 2 and uses the Kila and Smith Valley School District lines west of Kalispell.

Proposed district 91 includes Finley Point and the eastshore in Lake County (3,155 persons) and includes Big Fork and north of the Flathead River east of Kalispell (6,312 persons). It includes the entire Bigfork, Creston, and Swan elementary school districts, using the Bigfork and Creston western boundaries. Its northern boundaries are Hwy 35 at the Flathead River until the Mennonite Church road

which it follows east and jogs south to Krause Creek which becomes the northeastern boundary over the ridgeline to the southern tip of Hungry Horse. The southeastern boundary is Quintonkon Creek west to the Lake County line.

Proposed district 92 is wholly within Flathead County. It includes south of the Kalispell city limits, south and west of the Flathead River, Somers and Lakeside. The southern boundary skirts the Lakeside census designated place boundaries.

Proposed district 93's northern boundary is Wyoming/California in Kalispell proper. The eastern boundary is Willow Glen, the southern boundary follows city limits for the most part, but also including the area north of Haven in the southeast. The western boundary is Meridian.

Proposed district 94 includes north Kalispell, north of Wyoming and California Streets. It is bounded on the east by the Flathead River north to Capistrano and includes most of the area between the Flathead and Whitefish Rivers (excluding north of Reserve and west of Scenic. West of the Whitefish River, the northern boundary is Ritzman and Evergreen, the city limits, and west of Whitefish Stage it is Reserve or the Stillwater River. The western boundary is Highway 93 south until it meets Meridian to Wyoming.

Proposed district 95 is a district in between Hungry Horse, Whitefish, and Kalispell. Its southern boundaries are Hwy 35 at the Flathead River until the Mennonite Church Road which it follows east and jogs south to Krause Creek which becomes the southeastern boundary over the ridgeline to the southern tip of Hungry Horse at Fenmore Creek. The eastern boundary is Hungry Horse Reservoir. The western boundary is at Four Mile and Valley northwest of Kalispell north to Spring Prairie, KM Ranch. At Whitefish Stage the boundary proceeds north to Hodgeon to Trumble Creek and north to Hwy 40. The district abuts the Hungry Horse community and is south of Highway 2.

Proposed district 96 is the northeast corner of the county and includes Columbia Falls, Martin City, Hungry Horse, and Coram. A portion south of the Flathead River is included. North of Tiger Creek and most of West Glacier Elementary school district, excluding the southeast corner south of Hwy 2 is in this district.

Proposed district 97 is the Whitefish district. South Whitefish, south of Glenwood is in this district, south to the Kalispell elementary school district line east to Whitefish Stage Road north to Hodgeon to Trumble Creek north to Hwy 40 and west to Halfmoon.

Proposed district 98 includes north Whitefish, north of Glenwood and is the western portion of the county south to Hwy 2. It does include an area that includes some of the city limits in Kalispell between Highway 2 and Four Mile west of Highway 93.

Proposed district 99 includes the most of Lincoln County, including the area east of Libby and Rexford, Eureka, and Fortine to the north.

Proposed district 100 includes southcentral Lincoln County including Libby and Troy. The Troy city limits are the northwest boundary and north of Highway 2 to the ridgeline between Troy and Libby. All of Libby and south of Libby and east of Highway 2 to Libby Creek is in this district.